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Mr. Billy Ray Cameron
National Commander-in-Chief
Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States
VFW Memorial Building
200 Maryland Avenue, N.E.
Washington, DC 20002-5799

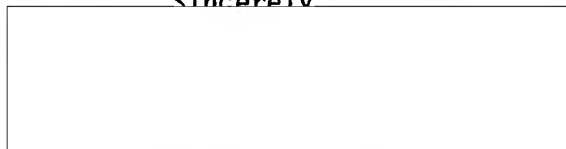
Dear Mr. Cameron:

Thank you for inviting CIA Director William J. Casey to be a head table guest at the annual Veterans of Foreign Wars dinner honoring members of Congress on Tuesday, 12 March, at the Sheraton Washington Hotel.

Mr. Casey has asked me to extend his regrets. Due to a conflict in his schedule, he will be unable to accept the honor. Please extend his congratulations to Senator Thurmond for receiving the VFW Congressional Award for "outstanding service to our nation."

We wish you a successful evening.

Sincerely



George V. Lauder
Director, Public Affairs

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12 February 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: George V. Lauder
Director, Public Affairs OfficeSUBJECT: Invitation to be Head Table Guest at Veterans of Foreign Wars
Dinner

1. Action Requested: Accept or decline an invitation to be a head table guest at the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) annual dinner on Tuesday, 12 March, at the Sheraton Washington Hotel in Washington, DC.

2. Background: National Commander in Chief Billy Ray Cameron has invited you to be a head table guest at its annual dinner honoring members of Congress. The reception begins at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. The Veterans of Foreign Wars Congressional Award will be presented this year to the Honorable Strom Thurmond (R, SC) for his "outstanding service to our nation." Approximately 2,000 members of Congress, government and military leaders, and VFW national and state officers will attend. Spouses are not invited to this function.

3. Recommendation: None. Please indicate your preference and have Public Affairs make the appropriate response.

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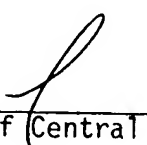


George V. Lauder

ACCEPT:

Director of Central Intelligence Date

DECLINE:



Director of Central Intelligence Date

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January 30, 1985

William J. Casey, Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States has scheduled its annual dinner honoring Members of Congress for Tuesday, March 12, 1985. This dinner, which will be held at the Sheraton Washington Hotel at 7 P.M., will be preceded by a reception at 6 P.M. Attending this function will be Members of Congress, government and military leaders, as well as national and state officers of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The total attendance will exceed 2,000 persons.

Highlighting the dinner this year will be the presentation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Congressional Award to the Honorable Strom Thurmond, United States Senate, for his "outstanding service to our nation." The influence of Senator Thurmond stems from his reputation for intelligence and expertise. He is, without question, one of the hardest working members in Congress who, as you know, has always conducted himself with utmost dignity and, in our opinion, has added much prestige to the deliberations of the United States Senate.

The purpose of this letter is to invite you to attend this annual dinner as a HEAD TABLE GUEST. Your presence would add much to this important occasion and I know that Senator Thurmond and the national and state officers of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States would be most pleased if you are able to attend.

Sincerely,

BILLY RAY CAMERON
National Commander-in-Chief

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